

For Sale.

CLEARANCE SALE.

SAYLE & Co. will offer, on and after **TUESDAY** Next, the 18th Instant, the remainder of their Winter Stock at Greatly Reduced Prices, consisting of:—

Winter Costumes and Polonaises.
Ladies' Jackets and Mantillas.
Fancy Dress materials of all kinds.
Wool Plaids and Flannels.
Silks and Poplins.
Wool Shawls and Cloaks.
Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats and Bonnets.
Fancy Wool Goods.
Lace and Linen Sets.
Scarves and Sashes.
Boys' Suits.
Children's Dresses.

&c., &c., &c.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

FOR SALE.

TIRE UNDERMENTIONED LAND AND BUILDINGS.

AT HONGKONG:—
INLAND LOT 82.—The well-known House and Offices lately occupied by Messrs A. Heard & Co., adjoining the Cathedral Compound.

The Ground below the masonry retaining wall of the above, abutting on the Queen's Road.

Annual Crown rent, \$890.48.
MARINE LOT 111, WANCHAI.—First-class and extensive Godowns.

Annual Crown rent, \$324.
INLAND LOT 801.—Situated on the Bonham Road and one of the finest sites for Villa residences in the Colony.

Annual Crown rent, \$70.78.
FARM LOT 17, POKFUSUM, adjoining Messrs Butterfield & Swire's premises.

Annual Crown rent, \$25.
AT KOWLOON:—

MARINE LOT 4.—With a frontage of 100 feet on the Praya, and with an area of 80,000 feet.

Reduced Annual Crown rent, \$10.
AT YOKOHAMA:—

Lots No. 6 and No. 27 in the Foreign Settlement.

No. 6 is situated on the Bund, and comprises an eight-roomed Dwelling House, detached, with Garden all round, Offices, Godowns, Servants' Quarters and Out-houses. Area 1,064 Tanbous of 36 square feet.

Annual Ground rent, \$263.72.
No. 27 is separated from No. 6 by Water Street and comprises large Tea Firing and other Godowns, Floss Silk Press, Compressor's Quarters, Stabling and Fire Engine House. Area, 654 Tanbous.

Ground rent, \$154.97 per annum.
Applications for purchase, or further information, to be made to

J. WHITTALL,
Trustees A. Heard & Co.'s Estate,
23, Queen's Road, Hongkong,
Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

TAKASIMA COILLERY.
Agents.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

FOR SALE.
FRESH Takasima COAL, in lots to suit purchasers. Large, Hand-picked, Double-screened at \$8 per Ton. Small, at \$6 per Ton.

Apply to **T. G. GLOVER,**
No. 7, Queen's Road and at East Point.
Hongkong, December 3, 1875.

ON SALE.
THE CHINESE READER'S MANUAL.

A HANDBOOK of Biographical, Historical, Mythological and General Literary References,
BY **WILLIAM FREDERICK MAYNERS.**

Price \$3.
Shanghai,.....
Hongkong,.....
"CHINA MAIL" OFFICE.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.
BRITISH SHIP GARYFF, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under- signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel, will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 30, 1875.

BRITISH BARK MARINA, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under- signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel, will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

ARNHOLD, KARRING & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 4, 1876.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

BRITISH SHIP GARRICKS, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under- signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel, will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 14, 1876. fe17

S. S. LORD OF THE ISLES, FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THIS Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed, at their risk, by Mr. A. McE. HAZROX, into the Godowns of Messrs Gilman & Co., whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to receive their Goods on the Wharf, are at liberty to do so.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 a.m. To-morrow.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 22nd Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,**
Agents.
Hongkong, February 14, 1876. fe22

GERMAN STEAMSHIP "BELLONA,"
TROMMYER, Master, FROM HAMBURG VIA SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Under- signed, from whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to take their Goods from the boats alongside the Wharf, are at liberty to do so.

Goods remaining in store after the 24th Instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary is given until 12 o'clock on the 15th Instant.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **W. M. PUSTAU & Co.,**
Agents.
Hongkong, January 14, 1876. fe24

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per German Barque IRIS, WENDT, Master, from Hamburg, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **W. M. PUSTAU & Co.,**
Agents.
Hongkong, January 3, 1876.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE.

THE Post of Secretary being about to become vacant, Applications for the same addressed to the Chairman will be received up to the 25th Instant. Salary \$1,500 per annum.

Hongkong, January 13, 1876.

To Let.

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With Immediate Possession.

TWO Dwelling Houses and Offices, Nos. 14 and 16, Stanley Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs RAYNAL & Co.

The House No. 35, Wellington Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs ROSE & Co.

The Dwelling House and Offices, No. 1, Stanley Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs DRYER & Co.

The Dwelling House No. 4, Alexandra Terrace.

The Store and Dwelling House, No. 31, Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of Miss GARRATT.

The House and Offices No. 3, D'Aguiar Street, lately in the occupation of Mr F. DREYER.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Hongkong, December 20, 1875.

TO BE LET.
WITH Possession on 1st March next, the commodious and centrally situated Dwelling House at present in the occupation of Dr. O'BRIEN.

For all particulars, apply to **ROBERT G. ALFORD,**
Surveyor, Club Chambers.
Hongkong, January 29, 1876. fe29

TO LET.
FINEST Class STORAGE, GODOWNS, on the Praya.

Apply to **TAYLOR & THOMPSON.**
Hongkong, November 20, 1875.

TO LET.
HOUSE No. 5, Zealand Street.

DAVID SASSOOK, SONS & Co.,
Hongkong, February 8, 1876.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.
TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO, EX O. S. S. CO.'S S. S. STENTON, FROM LIVERPOOL.

SHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 26th Inst., for shipment per S. S. DIOMED, BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agents.
Hongkong, February 16, 1876. fe26

G. O. ROGERS, BENJAMIN SUB-GEON, No. 7, ANSON'S ROAD,
(will be absent at Canton for a few days from the 25th Instant.)
Hongkong, February 14, 1876.

To-day's Advertisements.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA.
The P. & O. S. S. Co.'s S. S. "SUNDRA" will leave for the above place on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant, at Daylight.

A. MOIVER,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, February 16, 1876.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.
(Taking Cargo at through rates for NAGASAKI & HIOGO.)

The P. & O. S. S. Co.'s S. S. "LOMBARDY" will leave for the above place on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant, at 4 p.m.

A. MOIVER,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, February 16, 1876.

FOR NINGPO & SHANGHAI.
The Steamship "CHINA,"

P. H. HENNINGSEN, Master, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, Thursday, the 17th Instant, at 8 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **SHEMSEN & Co.,**
Hongkong, February 16, 1876. fe17

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.
The Steamship "CASSANDRA,"

Captain LANGRISH, will leave for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 21st Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**
Hongkong, February 16, 1876. fe21

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.
Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for HANKOW, NINGPO & PORTS IN JAPAN.

The Company's Steamship "DIOMED" will be despatched on or about the 28th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**
Agents.
Hongkong, February 16, 1876. fe26

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Company's Steamship "MENELAUS" will be despatched on or about the 28th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**
Agents.
Hongkong, February 16, 1876. fe26

FOR SALE.
SOME very superior OLD PORT WINE, just received, in cases of One or Two Dozen bottles each.

Apply to **J. J. DOS REMEDIOS & Co.,**
Hongkong, February 16, 1876. fe16

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Room, Praya, on

FRIDAY,
the 18th February, 1876, at Noon,—

Sauces, Pickles, Sardines, Files, Vases, Penholders, Lamps.

25 cases Swaine, Boord's Old Tom.

25 cases Jules Robin & Co.'s Cognac.

25 drums Turpentine.

100 boxes Window Glass.

100 boxes Long Enfield Rifles.

Red Copper Sheets.

Iron Plates.

Sheet Zinc and Sheet Lead.

100 casks Portland Cement.

&c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.

The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, Feb. 16, 1876. fe18

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUER, ISMAILA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSAILLES;

Also, **BOMBAY, ST. DENIS AND PORT LOUIS.**

ON THURSDAY, the 24th February, 1876, at Noon, the Company's S. S. "DEJANAH," Commandant FRANKLIN, with MAILED, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping orders will be granted till noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 23rd February, 1876. (Parcels are not to be sent on board if they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. M. CHAMPEAUX,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, February 16, 1876. fe24

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 16, *Douglas*, British steamer, 864, Burnie, Foochow Feb. 13, Amoy 14, and Swatow 15; General.—D. LAPRAIK & Co.

Feb. 16, *Highland*, Brit. despatch vessel, 835, H. Ryder, Manila Feb. 12.

Feb. 16, *Peng-chao-hai*, Chinese gunboat, Palmer, from a cruise.

Feb. 16, *Norma*, British steamer, 606, Walker, Swatow Feb. 15, General.—Kwok ACHONG.

Feb. 16, *Albatros*, German barque, 877, P. Koppelman, Saigon Jan. 16, Rice.—MALCHERS & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 16, *H.M.S. Himalaya*, for Singapore.

16, *Little Orpheus*, for Newchwang.

16, *Chinkiang*, for Shanghai.

16, *Penado*, for Saigon.

16, *Thales*, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Pardo, for Saigon.

Rajah, for Swatow.

Riga, for Swatow.

China, for Shanghai via Ningpo.

Alona, for Saigon.

Lucas, for Bangkok.

Fusheng, for Canton.

Batanga, for Saigon.

Fortune, for Bangkok.

Kwangtung, for Swatow, &c.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.—Per *Lombardy*, for Hongkong: from Southampton, Lieut. W. Goddard, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel; from Penang, one Rank and File, R.A.; and one Chinese; from Singapore, General Calhoun's servant and eight Chinese. For Swatow: from Penang, one Chinese. For Shanghai: from Southampton, Mr. Evans's Amah; from Singapore, Mr. D. Parker.

Per *Oceanic*, 58 Chinese.

Per *Douglas*, Mr. and Mrs. Harton and child, Mr. Mawha and two children, Messrs Brander, Northey, Morejon, Forsyth, and Stuhlmann, and 59 Chinese.

Per *Norma*, Capt. Simpson, and 100 Chinese.

TO DEPART.—Per *Gwalior*, for Singapore, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Kerr and servant, Mr. Butcher, and 2 Chinese. For Bombay, Meyer Allee. For Southampton, Messrs G. Williams, W. Clark, W. Pantan, and Tomita.

Per *Sunda*, for Yokohama, Messrs Roper, J. Burt and Dr. R. A. Barker.

Per *Lombardy*, for Shanghai, Mr. D. Parker, and Mrs. Evans's amah.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Douglas* reports: experienced moderate N.E. winds and cloudy weather throughout. Passed Company's steamer *Yess* South of Thunder Head. In Amoy, str. *Ulysses*. In Swatow, str. *Norma* and Amoy.

The German barque *Albatros* reports: first part of passage fresh N. E. winds and latter part light N. E. winds and thick weather to port.

The British steamer *Norma* reports: light N. E. winds and gloomy weather the whole passage.

CARGO.

Per *Gwalior*, for London, 329 bales Raw Silk, and 4 boxes Silk Piece Goods. For Continent, 328 bales Raw Silk. For India, 260 packages Silk, and 170 packages Tea.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For NINGPO & SHANGHAI.—

Per *CHINA*, at 2.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 17th Instant.

For SHANGHAI, HANKOW, NINGPO, NAGASAKI, OKHFOO, TAKU, TIENTSIN & PEKING.—

Per *LOMBARDY*, at 8 p.m. To-morrow, the 17th Inst. Late Letters from 3.10 to 3.30 p.m.

For SHANGHAI.—

Per *BELLONA*, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 17th Inst.

For SHANGHAI.—

Per *LORD OF THE ISLES*, at 3.30 p.m. on Thursday, the 17th Inst.

For SINGAPORE, SOMERSET, COOK-TOWN, CLEVELAND BAY, BOWEN, ROCKHAMPTON, KEPPEL BAY, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, TASMANIA AND MELBOURNE.—

Per *BOWEN*, at 11.30 a.m. on Friday, the 18th Inst.

For SINGAPORE & RANGOON.—

Per *BURMESE*, at 2.30 p.m. on Friday, the 18th Instant.

For COOKTOWN.—

Per *NAMOA*, at 11.30 a.m. on Saturday, the 19th Inst.

For SINGAPORE AND PENANG.—

Per *CASSANDRA*, at 2.30 p.m. on Monday, the 21st Instant.

MAILS BY THE EXPRESS PACKERS.—

The English Contract Packet *GWALIOR*, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 16th Inst.

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes.

6 P.M., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 17th Inst.

7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted on payment of a *Lata Fee* of 15 cents extra Postage until

11 A.M., when the Post Office closes entirely.

11.30 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom via *Brindisi* or to Singapore may be posted on board the Packet on payment of a *Lata Fee* of 48 cents extra postage.

11.30 A.M., Posting on Board ceases.

are to protect the employes while new lighthouses are being built, and at other times to cruise up and down the Coast to visit and inspect the lighthouses and see that they are in proper order. The three classes are therefore—

1. Blockaders, ... 3 vessels.
 2. Anti-pirate cruisers, ... 5 vessels.
 3. Lighthouse protectors, 3 vessels.
- And of those three there can be little doubt which finds most favour in Hongkong. We may add that the Chinese Government vessels at Shanghai, Tientsin and Foochow are entirely officered by Chinese, Europeans being employed only as instructors. It will thus be seen that our submission to the blockade system is entirely a matter of choice, the force employed being neither so extensive nor effective as is usually supposed. The commanders of the vessels carrying it out are able men and personally popular; but of course some portion of the evil reputations attaching to their duty attaches to themselves, and will continue to do so until they are withdrawn from a service which is inflicting serious damage on the trade of the Colony. We fancy that the statement we have above given might form a useful supplement to the despatches forwarded to Earl Carnarvon by the outgoing mail.

THE SPIRIT OF THE MORNING PRESS.

THE Press remarks that foreign improvements can hardly be expected to be introduced into China without some opposition from the natives. Railways especially have always been regarded with aversion. "Though the Chinese have no practical acquaintance with the iron road, they have heard sufficient concerning it to be aware that it is a potent instrument in the work of opening up a country to trade and an effective channel for diffusing liberal and enlightened ideas. This is exactly what Chinese officials do not want. They have no wish for the spread of Western ideas through the country, and dread the influence which extended intercourse with foreigners might have upon the masses of the people." They also view railroads as profitable to foreign constructors only. Still, when we remember the equally stupid arguments used in Great Britain against the railway when first introduced there, we shall not be indisposed to make allowances for the prejudices existing against them in China. The Press notes the case in which a native landowner at Wuning sold some ground to the Railway Company for which he has been flogged to death. It expresses a hope that the case will be taken up by the British Consul, and that punishment will overtake the officials concerned.

THE HONGKONG NATIVE PRESS.

The Chinese Mail gives a translation of the correspondence on the Blockade question by the Chamber of Commerce.

The Chung Ngor San Po (the Chinese issue of the Daily Press) commenting on the remark of the Queen of England, that England should join with Germany, Prussia and Austria in dictating reforms to Turkey, says England should not do so, and adduces two reasons. First, the three powers have formed an alliance with the object of injuring England—ultimately. Secondly, she should not give her assistance unthought.

The Universal Circulating Herald comments on the Turkish reform question. It says if Turkey becomes the territory of Russia, the latter will have the whole command of the Black Sea. If such an eventuality is consummated, Russia will be the most powerful country in Europe. Therefore, the protection afforded to Turkey by Germany and Austria is given from motives of self-preservation.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The furniture sale at "Idowild" will take place on Monday, 28th.

The British ship *Weymouth* (Hunt) arrived at San Francisco on Jan. 18, after a passage of 95 days from Hongkong.

We are informed by the Agents that the S. S. *Diomed* left Singapore for this port to-day, the 16th instant.

ADMIRAL RYDER arrived from Manila in H. M. S. *Vigilant* to-day. His flag-ship, *Audacious*, was hourly expected at Manila when the *Vigilant* left that port.

The *Himalaya*, with H. M. S. 80th Regt. on board, steamed away from her anchorage at 9.45 a.m. to-day, the Band on board playing the favourite farewell airs.

No. 4 of *Woffles's* *Monthly*, besides the usual amount of good humour local jokes, contains a report of the Amoy Races. Most of his fun bears either upon the Races or the recent visit of the Hongkong Cricket team. *Woffles* has much improved in appearance.

Several members of the Foreign branch of the Imperial Maritime Customs staff arrived in the steamer *Douglas* to-day, from Swatow, en route for the port of Kungshing, Hainan. They will proceed to Canton in a day or two.

day or two, where they will await the arrival of Mr. Forrest, H. B. M.'s Consul elect for the new port. It is understood that the Consular and Customs staff will be conveyed to Hainan by the *Ling-Feng*, which is now nearly ready for sea.

An inquest was held this afternoon (16) by Mr. Russell, coroner, at the Government Civil Hospital, on the body of one Thos. Towning, a seaman on board the S. S. *Penado*. The deceased complained of slight illness yesterday evening and died suddenly this morning. As the vessel was leaving for Bangkok (in fact she had already left) but returned to port on account of this occurrence, and as the doctor had not had time to make a post mortem examination, the enquiry was adjourned until the steamer's return. The following Jury was empanelled: Messrs J. J. Turner, Steel and W. P. Moore. It is believed the deceased died of heart disease.

This case of Whitall and another v. Benecke, Bouche & Co., has been at last brought to a termination. An elaborate judgment—which we hope shortly to publish in *extenso*—was delivered by both Sir John Smale and Mr. Justice Snowden to-day. The Court declares that the eight impeached deeds are fraudulent preferences, and that they are void as against the plaintiffs, the trustees under the trust deed of April 19th, 1875, and that all the eight deeds and the title deeds relating to the several properties must be given up to the plaintiffs. No costs.

The question of costs formed the subject of discussion, Mr. Haylar contending that their Lordships' decision was exactly the same as a verdict of the jury, and the rule was that costs should follow judgment. This was no doubt, as he had said before, a great hardship on the defendants, but the claim being for trust money, the question of hardship should not be taken into consideration. Sir John Smale observed that if this had been a bankruptcy case, he knew where the costs would have come from. They would have had to come out of the estate, but this was an equity case. He asked if he was to reserve the question. The A. G. urged the great hardship on the defendants, who should, in addition to the loss of their £20,000, be made to pay costs. His Lordship thought it a hard case too. Finally Mr. Haylar was satisfied that there should be no order made as to costs at present, as the case would have probably to be decided by a higher Court.

Mr. Haylar, Q.C., and Mr. Handley, instructed by Messrs Caldwell and Breton, appeared for the plaintiffs. The Attorney General, the Hon. Mr. Bramston, and Mr. Kingsmill, instructed by Messrs Sharp, Toller and Johnson, appeared for the defendants.

This English Mail was not landed last evening till 7.45, three hours after it was signalled. The American Mail, although signalled nearly an hour and a half later, was ashore first. Neither steamer brings us very much that is new or strange. There are no later telegrams concerning the Prince's movements in India than those we have already published.

From our San Francisco exchanges, we note one or two items:—

There will be a fair shipment of treasure by the China steamer. Up to the present about \$160,000 has been placed aboard, including \$68,400 in fine silver by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and \$50,000 by the Bank of California, of which \$22,000 is in fine silver, and the remainder in Trade Dollars.

The steamer *Great Republic*, which has been lying idle in port since October 17th, will be again placed in the China service, to sail hence February 1st.

London, Jan. 12.—It is reported that when the Egyptians lately occupied the town of Braya, belonging to the Sultan of Zanzibar, Mr. Kirk, British Consul, who went to seek an explanation, was obstructed in entering the town by Egyptian troops. Their commander refused to apologize for the insult. Mr. Kirk accordingly threatened to order the British man-of-war *Thetis* to bombard the town. The Egyptian Commander sent an apology to the Consul an hour before a notice of bombardment expired. The *Thetis* had taken up her position and was cleared for action. Consul Kirk, after receiving an apology at Braya, obliged the Commander to repeat it before the principal chiefs of the town, and informed him that he would be held responsible for any ill-treatment of inhabitants or pillage by his troops.

New York, Jan. 11.—The hostilities between the Pacific Mail Company and the Panama Railroad Company are again the talk of the street. The Panama Railroad Company threatens to evade the injunction which is in force by running an opposition steamboat line as an individual enterprise, with Commodore Garrison to manage it. The Pacific Mail Company threatens to make arrangements with the proprietors of the Costa Rica Railroad enterprise unless the Panama people desist. The Pacific Mail officials state that they can save one hundred miles by using the Costa Rica road. The entire line, they claim, can be completed within six months.

Messrs Hays & Co.'s Weekly Shipping Report, Pagoda Anchorage, 12th Feb., 1876:—

Arrivals During the Week:—Feb. 5, Kwang Tung, from Hongkong; 5, Chun Sheng, from Hongkong; 8, Douglas, from Hongkong; 9, Yung Ching, from Hongkong.

Departures During the Week:—Feb. 8, Yung Ching, for Hongkong; 9, Lulu, for Shanghai; 8, Taku, for Shanghai; 9, Kwang Tung, for Hongkong; 11, Yung Ching, for Hongkong.

Shipping in Port.—Charles Palmer, Midge, Marie Heydon, Chun Sheng, Douglas.

(London and China Express.)

It is announced from Hong Kong that Vice-Admiral Byrd, Commander-in-Chief in China, has promoted his flag-lieutenant, Mr. Adolphus F. St. Clair, to the rank of commander, into the vacancy caused by the lamented death of Commander Grosvenor Stopford. Lieutenant St. Clair's seniority dates from 1870, and it appears that the Admiralty have declined to confirm the appointment. Commander H. N. Hippeley having been this week gazetted to the command of the *Hornet*. By a circular issued this year their lordships abolished all head-down promotions and death-vacancy promotions from that date, all commanders-in-chief with their flags flying at the date of the circular to be exempt. This small remnant of patronage has therefore been taken away from flag-officers.

The *Sheldrake*, a screw composite gunboat, Lieut.-Commander J. D. Hays, which was commissioned last month, for service on the China station, left Plymouth Sound on the 1st inst. She will call at Gibraltar and Malta and proceed through the Suez Canal. A Parliamentary Paper has been published, showing the changes and alterations which have been made in the Consular Service since January 1, 1872. The following are the ports in the Far East which have been increased in pay and allowances to Consuls, namely, Saigon, Manila, Suva, and Ilo Ilo, and the ports abolished are those of Vice-Consul at Manila and Suva. It may be remembered that the former post was for some time held by Mr. Spencer, who before that time was in the service of the Municipal Council at Shanghai. The result of the above named return is a gross increase of £20,405, a gross decrease of £17,085, or net increase of £3,320.

We understand (the *Army and Navy Gazette* says) that extensive orders have been received by private firms in England, through agents of the Chinese Imperial Government, for detached portions of Martini-Henry rifles in the rough, which are to be made ready for transmission to the East with as little delay as possible. They will be "assembled" and finished in the various arsenals belonging to China, to which we adverted in our columns a short time since. We have reason for believing, moreover, that it is in contemplation by the Celestial authorities to obtain a further and larger number of these weapons of precision in a similar manner.

The agency of the Merchants Marine Insurance Co. at Hong Kong has been transferred to Messrs Douglas, Lapraik and Co. Mr. Arthur Smith and Mr. Thomas Pike have established themselves at 34, Fenchurch-street, under the style of Birley, Smith, and Co., in connection with Messrs. Birley and Co., China.

Alexander Alisch, late of China, confidential clerk to Messrs. Alfred Beidermann and Co., stockbrokers, of Angel-corner, has been charged at the Guildhall before Sir Thomas White with embezzling between £4,000 and £5,000 belonging to his employers. Evidence was given respecting two or three cases of misappropriation of money, and the accused was remanded.

At Marseilles on the 6th a fire broke out on board the Messageries Maritimes steamer *Zoology*, of the China line. Several engines were set to work to subdue the flames, which were only got under by submerging the fore part of the vessel in Port Jofette. Eight of the crew were severely suffocated, but their lives have been saved by medical aid. No one was killed.

The fine steamship *Candia*, 320 by 404 by 26½, and 2,050 tons gross, lately one of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company's mail steamers, having just been thoroughly overhauled and refitted for the China trade by Messrs. James Howden and Co., besides being re-engined by that firm with their compound engines of 300 nominal horse power, capable of working to 1,500-horse power, had a trial of her new machinery on the 1st inst. The results obtained were of the most satisfactory kind. The *Candia* is also so arranged that she can be fitted as a transport or troop ship on very short notice. She has already been employed by the Government in that capacity, having been chartered to carry the troops during the Assam war.

The following officers, whose last term of service was on the China station, have received appointments as under:—Captain F. C. B. Robinson (in the Princess Charlotte, from 1870 to 1871) to the *Opal*, 14 screw corvette, Sheerness; Lieutenant H. H. Brooks (in the *Cadmus*, from 1870 to 1874) to the *Excellent*, gunnery-ship at Portsmouth; Lieutenants J. S. Muggidge and C. E. Reynard (in the *Kestrel*, in 1875) to the *Kestrel*, 4, gun-vessel (re-appointment); Navigating-Lieutenant H. J. Dockrell (in the *Salama*, from 1874 to 1876) to the *Proke*, 4, gun-vessel; Mr. C. O. Weeks, engineer (in the *Salama* from 1874 to 1876), to the *Boadicea*, 10, corvette, fitting out at Portsmouth; Mr. A. H. Renfry, first-assistant-engineer (in the *Hornet*, from 1873 to 1875), to the *Assistance*, troopship, at Portsmouth; Dr. W. H. Bennett, staff-surgeon (in the Princess Charlotte, from 1873 to 1874), to the *Assistance*; Mr. A. Thompson, paymaster (in the Iron Duke, from 1870 to 1875), to the *Union*, drill-ship at Dundee; Mr. P. Rickard, boatswain (in the *Rinaldo*, from 1870 to 1874), to the *Crocodile*, Indian troopship; Mr. F. Standish, boatswain (in the Iron Duke, from 1873 to 1875), to the *Valiant*, coastguard ship in the River Shannon; Mr. G. Davis, carpenter (in the *Zebra*, from 1871 to 1873), to the *Emerald*, corvette, building at Pembroke.

Captain C. S. Williams, R.M.A., has been appointed Gunnery Instructor to the Royal Marine Artillery, vice Major Major Brydges, whose period of staff service has expired. He will be succeeded as Recruiting Officer in the London district by Captain J. D. Broughton, R.M.L., who recently returned home with the battalions of Royal Marines from Japan.

Lieutenant Collingwood Foxwell, who has gone out to China in the *Junco*, has only been appointed in order that he may complete his six months' term of service, and is necessary for gunnery lieutenant. He will, therefore, be home again at the end of 1876.

Captain C. H. Brooks, of the 15th Regiment, assumed his new duties at Shanghai on the 1st inst., on return home from Hongkong.

The *Thien*, 5, ship, 1,049 tons, 454-horse power, which is fitting out at Chatham Dockyard as a surveying vessel for the China Coast, is now nearly completed. She has been in hand many months, but it was found necessary to replace many of her timbers, owing to their very decayed state. The masts of the vessel have been put in, and the rigging is being commenced.

Pellico Intelligence.

(Before the Hon. C. May.)

16th February, 1876.

Wong Ah-shin, a coolie, was charged with breaking into the house of a Chinese rent-collector residing at Shek-tong-tai. The prisoner was committed for trial.

AMBAULT.

A. Delpho, a French cook at the Oriental Hotel, was summoned by Leung Cheuk Pow, a shroff at the Hongkong Hotel, for an assault. The complainant presented two bills to the defendant for payment, and he only paid \$2, leaving \$2 still due. He took the bills into his hands and was going away with them, when the complainant asked him to return them, taking hold of his hand at the same time. The defendant, who was about going upstairs, turned round and struck the complainant on the cheek and nose, drawing blood. The defendant admitted that he struck the complainant because he caught hold of him by the shirt and tore it. Fined \$5.

SELLING SAMBAU.

Li Aung, master of the *Tseng Shing* chandler's shop, No. 32, High Street, was charged with selling sambau without a license. The defendant said he intended to take out a license. He had been to the Registrar General twice, once with a petition on Tuesday last, when he was directed to attend on Saturday last. He did so with his securities, but a Chinese clerk sent him away, saying he had no time then, and that he was to come again yesterday. A shop-coolie was then sent to the office with the view of getting the license, but meantime the shop was visited by the Police, and he therefore desisted. A reference was then made to the Registrar General, to ascertain the truth or otherwise of the defendant's allegations. Mr. Tomkocky replied to the effect that the defendant's application had been forwarded to the Colonial Secretary's office on the 11th, but had not yet been returned as granted. The defendant had been distinctly told that he was not to sell any liquor until he obtained his license. Fined \$10.

ASSAULT.

Two Chinese Lokongs, stationed at Whitfield Station, were summoned for assaulting a blacksmith, and were fined \$5 and \$1 respectively.

DRUNKENNESS.

Sheik Futto, fireman S.S. *Gwalior*, was fined 50 cents and to pay 10 cents for chair-hire for being drunk at Gibb's Wharf.

Sheik Abdoolah, a fireman unemployed, was fined \$2 for a similar offence. He was chasing people about the street.

DISTURBED PEACE.

Two Chinamen were brought up for sending a pig stick with measles to the Slaughter House to be slaughtered. It was brought there about seven o'clock, and died about half an hour after arrival. The defendant said he bought the pig of the 2nd. Fined \$25 each.

Two other Chinamen were brought up for a similar offence. The difference in this case was the fact that the pigs were apparently well when brought to the Slaughter House, but they were discovered to be ill with measles about nine hours after. Mr. May remanded the cases, in order that enquiries might be made as to whether pigs were liable to sudden eruptions of this kind.

China.

(Fochow Herald.)

We regret to state that the proposed Spring Race Meeting has been unavoidably abandoned, owing to the Tartar General's refusal to lend the ground to the Club.

We understand that a piratical craft has been seen in the neighbourhood of this port, during the last few days, and that her presence is causing some anxiety to the district authorities. H. B. M.'s gunboat *Midge*, we believe, going out in quest of her.

Later advices from Peking state that Ting A-cheong's acceptance of office as Futai, Governor of this Province, is insisted upon. His Excellency will accordingly, we understand, assume the seals in a few days.

The local authorities may be complimented on having at least one public work of utility in hand. An effort is being made to widen the northern approach to the Long Bridge, with a view to relieving the great press of traffic at that point.

We are informed that a preacher of the English Church Mission who rented a building in Yen-ping, for temporary residence, about the time the American Methodist Chapel was destroyed by a mob, has been driven out, with his family, who have found refuge for the time at one of the Methodist Chapels further down the river. The mob seem to be still rampant, and are threatening to drive Christianity from the Prefecture entirely. The flag inscribed, "Expel the Barbarians," are still flying, and vile placards against foreigners still adorn the walls of the city. Meanwhile, the native officials content themselves with writing dictatorial and lying despatches; and are, undoubtedly, laying up more trouble for the future.

SHENYANG.

Messrs Spencers and Wolff report that during the past three weeks business in Cotton Goods has been suspended. The country dealers left the past week the New Year holidays, and not having returned our market cannot yet be considered fairly opened. We hear of a few transactions with local traders in 6½-7½. Grey Shirtings, but they are not sufficient to warrant quotations. The business has been passed over quietly, and no important failures are reported among the native merchants. Many banks having lost heavily during the past year, several have closed, and as the facilities for speculation will thus be considerably curtailed, business during the present year seems likely to be conducted on a more solid basis.—*Sunday Standard*. Common quality, of which the stocks mainly consist, is selling at £1. 6. 60 per pound, and a small parcel of fine wool has been bought at £1. 5. 50 per pound.—*Malacca Opium*. The market is very irregular, but may be quoted as weak, at £1. 4. 50 per picul for best drug.

5th Feb.

NANKING.

(Courier Correspondent.)

February 3rd, 1876.

The great event, of course, since my last, has been the incoming of the New Year; in honour of which business has been suspended, and the industrious Chinaman is taking his annual holiday. All on the street are well dressed, and each one is wishing his neighbour wealth and happiness,—two things, by the bye, rather scarce in this flowery kingdom. The weather has been very severe since the last day of the old year. On that day the snow fell to a depth of three inches, and the hard frost which followed kept it on the ground for more than a week, to the great disgust of showmen, tumblers, and such like. The Governor-General still holds out in his war against the opium dens, and all the natives of whom I have enquired agree in asserting positively that there is not one opium shop open in the entire city. It is to be hoped he will be able to hold on in this course, though it is said that the fifty thousand opium smokers living within the walls are not very patient under their heavy afflictions. Many military mandarins have been bamboozled for grumbling, but theory is still they grumble. The next step is, so it is rumoured, to allow opium to be bought at only one place, and there at an exorbitant price. I have been repeatedly asked by men on the streets if I could help them to overcome the habit, or if I had any medicine which would cure them; to all of which I replied that the only effective way is to gradually reduce the quantity, and at the same time live well. But probably they will think, like Naaman of old, that that is far too simple, and spend their money in the purchase of some quack medicine, to be taken on some lucky day, at the full of the moon, or some other time. I notice in the *Daily News* of the 18th ult. an extract from the *China Mail*, giving a novel plan adopted by the new Viceroy of the two Kiang of putting down immorality,—that of removing all disreputable houses to the main thoroughfares and allowing the entrances thereto to be only three feet by one. The *Mail* is generally correct in its information on native matters, but this time is the exception; as, although talked about, it has not been as yet adopted. Should it be, it would put some of the corrupt, fur-robed, and satin-booted gentry to considerable trouble to get in.

KIUKIANG.

(Courier Correspondent.)

1st February 1876.

I send you a few scraps of news to-day, if indeed they can be called news; but nearly all the members of the community have been shooting down the river, and considering the bad weather, I have heard that the sport all round has been very fair. It was moving very hard for three days, and now it rains hard for a change. H.M.S. *Hornet* is here, and we are glad to say that she is going to make a long stay. The river has not been so low for several years before, and at the moment I am writing the *Paulah* and *Pung-shun* are ashore on the bar at Oliphant Island, and the *Fychoo* waiting on the other side of the bar, not having enough water to cross. For some time the steamers were obliged to tranship their cargoes both at Oliphant and Hunter Islands. We are busily engaged in putting a stone facing to the bund instead of the old wooden one that was always under repair; the intention is to raise the bund four inches too, so as to avoid the previous years' flooding. This morning a quantity of crackers were fired in front of the Customs house, and on enquiry it was found that it was the *Tao-tai*, who had taken the New Year's opportunity to salute (or wish a happy New Year to) the foreign residents.

COMMERCIAL.

Feb. 16, 1876.

Throughout the closing fortnight a languid feeling prevailed in the market for Bengal Opium, excepting on two occasions when an active demand existed for Patna, and the holders of the drug, as might be expected, frantically availed themselves of the opportunity of effecting sales. The unusual circumstances of no new drug having come forward by the direct steamers of the month, has, however, made the native dealers to operate with a reserve, and the call for the drug has been accordingly governed by the extent of the actual requirements for the consuming towns. Under such a state of things, the rate for the drug may be said to have been well maintained; and the more favorable rates of exchange appear to have in a measure aided the importers in not pressing sales at the time of the departure of the Indian packets. To-day's rate is \$602½.

The local demand for Benares has been unimportant, and with a good supply at the Coast ports, the market for the drug is heavy at the present quotation of \$567½.

The receipts for the month, so far, aggregate 3,525 chests, against 3,250 chests to the corresponding date last year. During the fortnight some 750 chests have been taken by the local consumers, against 350 chests at the corresponding fortnight last year. This, with the exportations, leaves a stock computed at 2,700 chests, against 3,200 chests same time last year. Of this quantity last year 650 chests were Benares, of which kind the present stock comprises 1,000 chests.

Messrs HEINEMANN & Co.'s Freight Circular, for the Mail of Thursday, 17th Feb. 1876, says:—

The freight market during the past fortnight has been more active, and a fair business has been done both homeward and coastwise, although rates show very little improvement.

Homeward demand has been chiefly from the Philippines, while Bangkok remains neglected. For the North a few settlements have taken place at slightly increased rates. The British ship *Elmer*, 1,008 tons, left for Rangoon, and the British bark *Juan A. Pearson*, 607 tons, for Singapore under orders from home. The British bark *E. E. Young*, 945 tons, left for Saigon, "seeking." The British bark *Colchester* proceeds to Singapore, "seeking." The Italian bark *Blanco Perla*, 660 tons, left for Bangkok as load tender for Maximilian under home charter.

The discharged tonnage in port amounts to 87 vessels, registering 30,824 tons.

The following are the settlements:—

British ship *Sarah Nicholson*, 983 tons, Whampoa to London, private.

British bark *Martha*, 685 tons, Cebu to London, private.

British ship *Sir William Wallace*, 968 tons, Iloilo to New York, private.

Italian bark *Alfredo*, 909 tons, Iloilo to New York, private.

American bark *William H. Bess*, 1026 tons, Manila to San Francisco, private.

British bark *Liberator*, 690 tons, Manila to San Francisco, private.

British bark *Spirit of the Age*, 347 tons, to Melbourne and Sydney, £775 in full, 30 day days.

British steamer *Crocus*, 986 tons, to San Francisco, (Monthly Charter), private.

German bark *Centaur*, 468 tons, to Portland, (Oregon), private.

American bark *Garibaldi*, 670 tons, to Portland, (Oregon), private.

German bark *St. Louis*, 245 tons, to Haiphong and back, private.

German bark *Beethoven*, 840 tons, Bangkok to Sourabaya, (inside the Bar), 27½ cents per picul; (outside the Bar), 22½ cents per picul, 85 day days.

British bark *Kate Waters*, 580 tons, Saigon to Sourabaya, 24 cents per picul, 30 day days; and Bangkok to Hongkong (Timber), \$3,100 in full, 50 day days.

French bark *Asia Mineure*, 581 tons, Saigon to Sourabaya, 25 cents per picul, 20 day days.

British steamer *Choepe*, 984 tons, Saigon to Sourabaya, 32 cents per picul, 14 day days.

British steamer *Consolation*, 768 tons, to Singapore, \$2,500 in full; and Saigon to Hongkong, 20 cents per picul.

British steamer *Ariston Aopar*, 959 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 16 cents per picul, 8 day days.

French steamer *Gunga*, 971 tons, to Manila and back, \$9,000 in full.

German bark *Cap Horn*, 401 tons, Rajang to Hongkong, (Timber), \$10 per ton of 50 lbs.

British bark *Naworth Castle*, 851 tons, Keelung to Hongkong, \$2 per ton of 20 cwt., 15 day days.

British bark *Cito*, 216 tons, Keelung to Hongkong, \$2 per ton of 20 cwt., 14 day days.

British bark *Cito*, 216 tons, Whampoa to Tientsin, and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 50 cents per picul, 30 day days.

German bark *Anna*, 447 tons, Whampoa to Chefoo, and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 57½ cents per picul, 35 day days.

British bark *Sch. Lochiel*, 216 tons, Whampoa to Tientsin, and back to Whampoa via Newchwang, 58 cents per picul, 35 day days.

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Mails.



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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
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GWALEON, Captain J. O. DABON, with Her
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THE P. & O. S. N. Co. reserve the
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A. M. DYER, Superintendent.
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, February 4, 1876. fcl7

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THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be de-
parted for San Francisco, via Yoko-
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at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers
for Japan, the United States and Europe.
Connection is made at Yokohama, with
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Return Passage Tickets available for 6
months are issued at a reduction of 20 per
cent. on regular rates.
For further information as to Freight
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G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent.
Hongkong, February 8, 1876. mol

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THE S. S. "GREAT REPUBLIC" will
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Through Passenger Tickets and Bills
of Lading are issued for transportation to
Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San
Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and
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A Steamer of the Mitsui Bussan S.S. Com-
pany will leave Shanghai via the Inland Sea
Ports, about same date, and make close
connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection
of various lines of Steamers to England,
France and Germany.
Freight will be received on board until
4 p.m. 14th Proximo. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.
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Company, Praya West.

G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent.
Hongkong, February 16, 1876. mol6

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

ROBERTSON'S PATENT
COMPOSITION PAINT,
For Ships' Bottoms.

Sole Agents for China,
F. BLACKHEAD & Co.
Hongkong, January 6, 1876.

DUO DE MONTBELLLO CARTE
BLANCHE CHAMPAGNE.
Quarts, \$18 per case (1 dozen).
Flats, \$18. (2.)
6 per cent. discount on 25 cases.

Bourbon WHISKY.
\$12 per case (1 dozen).
For Sale by
HEARD & Co.
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COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against Fire to the extent of
\$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

EDWARD NORTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCI-
ATION OF SHANGHAI.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS, 800,000 TAELS.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to
all parts of the world at current rates.
This Association will, until further no-
tice, provide out of the earnings, first for
an Interest Dividend of 15% to Share-
holders on Capital, and thereafter distrib-
uted among Policy holders, annually, in
cash, ALL the Profits of the Underwriting
Business pro rata to amount of premium
contributed.

RUSSELL & Co.,
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Hongkong, July 9, 1872.

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COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE)

CAPITAL—Two Millions Sterling.

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Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Coals in Matched, on Goods on board
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bour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.
Proposals for Life Insurance will be re-
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for their decision.

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Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

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AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
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Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEE.
JAS. B. COUGHTRE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER
AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.

His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows—
Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

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Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 26, 1872.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits
are distributed annually to Contributors,
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premiums contributed
by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1875.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCI-
ATION OF SHANGHAI.

NOTICE.

AFTER this date, the above Association
will allow a Brokerage of Thirty-
three and One Third per cent. (33 1/3%) on
Local Risks only.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, June 5, 1874.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt
of instructions from the Board of
Directors authorizing them to issue Policies
to the extent of \$10,000 on any one first-
class risk, or to the extent of \$15,000 on
adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 20% allowed.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, January 6, 1876.

Insurance.

THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY, ADELAIDE.

CAPITAL, £250,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company in
Hongkong, China and Japan, are prepared
to issue Policies of Marine Insurance,
payable in Australia, London, Calcutta,
Bombay, Mauritius, China and Japan at
current rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.
Hongkong, September 6, 1875.

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY OF HONGKONG LIMITED,
IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons holding Warrants against
unclaimed Dividends, Interest, or
Bonuses, are requested to present same for
payment at the Hongkong and Shanghai
Bank before the 1st April, 1876, otherwise
their claims will not be recognised.

ADOLF ANDRE,
F. D. SASSOON,
Liquidators.

Hongkong, December 20, 1875. apl

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL
INSURANCE CO.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agent, in Hongkong, for the above-
named Company, is prepared to grant
Policies against Fire, on Buildings and on
Goods to the extent of \$10,000, at the
usual rates, subject to an immediate dis-
count of 20%.

Attention is invited to a considerable
reduction in Premium for Life Insurance in
China.

Life Policies effected during the year
1875, share in the Bonus to be declared on
31st December for the quinquennial period
then ending.

A. MACG. HEATON.
Hongkong, September 27, 1875.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared
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Hongkong, December 8, 1875. fa28

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Butcher Meat.

Bacon, English, lb. 400 800
" Fochow, " 180 150
Beef, sirloin and prime cut, cy. 180 120
Beef Corned, " 120 100
" Roast, " 140 120
" Soup, " 80 70
" Steak, " 140 120
Bullocks' Brains, per set 50 40
" Tongue, fresh, each 250 200
" " corned, " 400 350
" Heart, " 150 110
" Feet, " 60 50
" Kidneys, " 60 50
" Tail, " 120 110
" Liver, " 60 70
" Tripe (undressed), catty 40 30
Calves' Head and Feet, set 500 450
Hams, American, lb. 350 —
" Chinese, " 200 180
" English, " 400 350
Mutton Chop, " 220 200
" Leg, " 220 200
" Shoulder, " 160 150
" Liver, " 180 120
Pigs' Chiddings, " catty 60 50
" Feet, " 120 110
" Fry, " 110 100
" Head, " 110 100
" Heart, " 70 50
" Kidneys, " 70 50
" Liver, lb. 120 110
Pork, Chop, " catty 160 150
" Corned, " 180 140
" Leg, " 160 150
" Fat or Lard, " 120 110
Sheep's Head and Feet, set 400 350
" Heart, " 60 50
" Kidneys, " 80 70
Sticking Pigs, " 1500 1200
Veal, " 180 120

Fowl.

Capons, " catty 180 160
Ducks, " catty 110 100
" Dried, " 220 200
Eggs, Hen, " doz. 100 —
" Duck, " 100 —
" Salt, " 100 —
Fowls, " catty 160 150
Geese, " 120 110
Partridges, " 250 200
Pheasants, Canton, live pair 1500 —
Pigeons, " each 140 130
Quail, " 80 70
Snipe, " each 120 110
Teal, " 140 130
Turkeys, Cock, " catty 500 450
" Hen, " 350 330
Wild Ducks, " pair 800 —

Fish.

Bream, " catty 110 100
Carp, " 90 80
Codfish, salt, " 200 180
Congor Kels, " 60 50
Orabi, " 90 80
Ottie Fish, " 80 60
Dace, " 110 100
Dog Fish, " 80 70
Kels, " 110 80
Fresh Fish, Large, " 120 110
" Small, " 100 80
Frogs, " 200 150
Garoupe, " 120 110
Gurnet, " 90 80
Herrings, small, " 80 70
Live Fish, " 120 120
Lobsters, " 90 80
Mackerel, " 90 80
Mullet, " 110 100
Oysters, " 120 110
Parrot Fish, " 120 120
Perch, " 100 80
Pomfrit, " 110 100
Prawns, " 120 120
Rock Fish, " 120 120
Salmon, Canton, " catty 120 110
" Pickled, " 800 —
Salt Fish, " catty 110 80
Shark, " 60 50
Shrimps, " 80 80
Shake, " 80 80
Snapper, " 100 80
Sole, Fresh, " 100 80
Vaiich, " 120 120
Turbot, " 110 100
Turtles, Small, " 800 —
White Bait, " 80 40

Vegetables.

Asparagus, " 400 350
Bamboo Shoots, young, catty 70 60
Beans, sprout, " 14 12
" broad, " 40 35
" French, " 70 60
Beet root, " each 80 25
Cabbage, Black, " 110 40
Cabbage, White, Canton, catty — 20
" " " 15 10
Carrots, Fresh, " 25 20
" Salt, " catty 30 20
Cauliflower, " each 100 40
Celery, Chinese, " catty 30 20
" English, " 60 40
Chilies, Dried, " 60 40
" Mixed, " 300 180
Cherry Stalk, English, " 40 20
Gastio, " 40 20
Ginger, " 40 20
Green Peas, young, " 50 40

Green Winter Corns.

Lettuce, English, " head 20 15
" Chinese, " catty — 10
Mint, " bunch 12 10
Mushroom, dried, " catty 750 650
Onions, Bombay, " 40 50
" Green, " 20 15
Parsley, Chinese, " catty 30 20
" English, " bunch — 10
Potatoes, Macao, new, " catty 20 18
" Sweet, " 14 12
Pumpkins, " 12 10
Radishes, English, " doz. 40 30
Raspberries, " catty 20 15
Shalots, " catty 40 30
Squash, Bottle, " 50 40
Taro, " 15 12
Tomatoes, " 60 40
Turnips, English, " each 10 8
" Fresh, " catty 12 10
" Salt, " 30 20
Water Lily Roots, " 40 30
Water Cress, " 80 25
Yams, " 30 20

Fruits.

Aleuticas, " catty 50 40
Almonds, " lb. 250 —
Apples, Dried, " catty 250 200
" California, " 500 300
Bananas, fragrant Fruit, catty 40 —
" Common, " 30 25
Cheenuts, " 100 —
Chrys green, " each 100 80
Cocoanuts, " 60 50
Currants, " bottle 400 350
Dates, " bottle 500 400
Figs, Dried, " 500 400
Ground Nuts, " catty 40 30
Oranges, Sweet Sunway, " 170 150
" Oocle, " 80 20
" Mandarin, " 40 30
" Kam Kwai, " 60 50
" Mandarin, " 40 30
" Nuts, " 300 250
Lemons, Dried, " 80 70
Lemons, Fresh, " 250 150
Malons, Chinese, " each 50 —